

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 21, and ending on page 5, line 3, with the following amended paragraph:

The sender and receiver clients can include but are not limited to: personal video recorders (PVRs), personal computers (PCs) including those like the ~~Macintosh~~ Macintosh® series by Apple Computer, Inc., workstations, video camcorders or personal digital assistants (PDAs). The server can be but is not limited to: a personal video recorder, a personal computer, a workstation, and an application service provider. The server may also be accessed via the Internet.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 18, and ending on page 14, line 2, with the following amended paragraph:

Sender client 310 may be the client upon which the media file(s) 230 is originally stored, or the user may compose location message 200 on sender client 310 regarding media file(s) 230 that reside elsewhere. Receiver client 314 may be the client which the recipient of the location ~~message~~ message 200 uses to play back or otherwise access media file(s) 230. In the case where the same location ~~message~~ message 200 is addressed to recipients that use different receiver clients, there would be multiple receiver clients 314. In other cases, it may be necessary to use a chain of servers 312 in order to communicate location message 200 from sender client 310 to receiver client(s) 314.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 20, line 8, with the following amended paragraph:

3) LIST. For the client to ~~retrieve the~~ retrieve a list of pending messages from the server.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 21, line 18, and ending on page 22, line 12, with the following amended paragraph:

Personal video recorder 500 of Figure 5 comprises an address/data bus 510 for communicating information, one or more central processors 502 coupled with bus 510 for processing information and instructions. Central processor unit 502 may be a microprocessor or any other type of processor. The personal video recorder 500 also includes data storage features such as a volatile memory unit 504 (e.g., random access memory, static RAM, dynamic RAM, etc.) coupled with bus 510 for storing information and instructions for central processor(s) 502, a non-volatile memory unit 506 (e.g., read only memory, programmable ROM, flash memory, EPROM, EEPROM, etc.) coupled with bus 510 for storing static information and instructions for processor(s) 502. The personal video recorder 500 also includes one or more signal generating and receiving devices 508 coupled with bus 510 for enabling personal video recorder 500 to interface with other electronic devices. The communication interface(s) 508 of the present embodiment may include wired and/or wireless communication technology. For example, in one embodiment of the invention, the communication interface 508 is a

serial communication port, but could also alternatively be any of a number of well known communication standards and protocols, e.g., USB, Ethernet, ~~FireWire~~ FireWire® (IEEE 1394), parallel, SCSI, ~~Bluetooth~~ Bluetooth® wireless communication, IR communication, broadband, and the like.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 24, line 14, and ending on page 25, line 8, with the following amended paragraph:

Optionally, computer system 600 can include an alphanumeric input device 614 including alphanumeric and function keys coupled to the bus 610 for communicating information and command selections to the central processor(s) 602. The computer 600 can include an optional cursor control or cursor directing device 616 coupled to the bus 610 for communicating user input information and command selections to the central processor(s) 602. The cursor directing device 616 can be implemented using a number of well known devices such as a mouse, a track ball, a track pad, an optical tracking device, a touch screen, etc. Alternatively, it is appreciated that a cursor can be directed and/or activated via input from alphanumeric input device 614 using special keys and key sequence commands or by other means such as, for example, voice commands. The system 600 can also ~~include a~~ include an optional mass data storage device 618 such as a magnetic or optical disk and disk drive (e.g., hard drive or floppy diskette) coupled with bus 610 for storing information and instructions. An optional display device 612 is coupled to bus 610 of system 600 for displaying video and/or graphics. It should be appreciated that optional display device 612 may be a cathode

ray tube (CRT), flat panel liquid crystal display (LCD), field emission display (FED), or any other display device suitable for displaying video and/or graphic images and alphanumeric characters recognizable to a user.